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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence ✓

VIA : Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : John F. Blake
Deputy Director for Administration

SUBJECT : CIA Relationship with Academicians Engaged as Consultants
or Independent Contractors

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REFERENCE : Attached Routing Sheet Comments Concerning [REDACTED]

1. Action Requested: That you reaffirm current Agency practice which requires academicians or independent contractors to obtain prior university approval for their association with CIA.

2. Background:

a. This memorandum, together with attachments, contains the past and current practice regarding CIA obtaining assurance from an academician that his university is aware of and has no objection to his association with CIA.

b. Our present practice requiring an academician to obtain prior university approval for his association with CIA dates from 1967 when President Johnson, moved by public and congressional concern over the 1967 disclosure of the Agency's covert funding of the National Student Association and other domestic private institutions, established the Katzenbach Committee. The Committee, chaired by the then Under Secretary of State, Nicholas Katzenbach, directed its investigation primarily at the CIA's covert funding of American educational and private voluntary organizations.

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c. On 12 July 1967, Director Helms approved guidelines with reference to CIA contractual relationships with U. S. educational institutions. The approved guidelines were in three major areas: (1) contracts with institutions, (2) grants to institutions, and (3) consultant and other personal services contracts. Attachment A is a copy of the guidelines approved by the DCI in July 1967.

d. The guidelines for consultant and other personal services contracts stated: "Consultant and other types of personal services contracts with professors or other staff members of educational institutions within the United States will be held to a minimum and employed only when necessary. Additionally, such contracts will, as a general rule, be made only after assurance is obtained that appropriate management officials of the institutions concerned are aware of the proposed relationships."

e. Between September and December 1967, a case-by-case review was made of each consultant or independent contractor with a university affiliation to determine whether university management was aware of the professor's relationship with CIA. Action was taken by the Deputy Directors *to request their consultants* to have appropriate university officials made aware of the consultant's relationship with CIA. The contractual relationship with a few consultants was terminated prior to 31 December 1967; in certain cases a Deputy Director believed it prudent not to make a university aware of the relationship and specific approval not to do so was sought from the Deputy Director for Support.

f. The matter of academicians obtaining approval of their university prior to entering into a relationship with CIA was re-examined by the General Counsel in late 1976.

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(1) Attachment B is a memorandum, dated 1 October 1976, on the subject from OGC to the Chairman, USIB Scientific and Technical Intelligence Committee.

(2) Attachment C is a memorandum, dated 9 November 1976, from Mr. Lapham to me concerning our Office of Training guest lecturers who have a university affiliation.

g. I suggest you may find of interest Director Bush's reply of 11 May 1976 to Professor William W. Van Alstyne, President, American Association of University Professors on the general matter of CIA relations with the academic community. The exchange of correspondence is Attachment D.

3. Recommendation: That you reconfirm current Agency practice by our asking [] to obtain assurance from [] that the University interposes no objection to his serving as a consultant to CIA.

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